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September 11, 2015

TO:

EACH SUPERVISOR

FROM:

DARYL L. OSBY, FIRE CHIEF

FIRE CAMP EXPANSION PROGRAM - UPDATE

This memorandum is to provide your Honorable Board with an update on the status of the continued operation and expansion of the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County's (Fire District) fire suppression camp program, as well as our efforts to work jointly with the Department of Probation (Probation) in the development of potential career opportunities for probation youth.

As approved and authorized by your Board on June 9, 2015, the Fire District has completed the renewal of its existing Agreement for Services (Agreement) with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) for the Fire District's operation of five inmate fire suppression camps, effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017. The anticipated annual reimbursement to the Fire District by the CDCR is \$4.8 million annually.

In addition, the Fire District continues to work closely with Probation to implement a jointly operated fire suppression camp program in which probation youth will be trained, utilized and lead by Fire District personnel in the completion of emergency and non-emergency work projects. It is envisioned that through this direct interaction and mentorship, the youth will be more readily positioned to transition successfully into future productive career opportunities.

To support these aims, the Fire District is positioned to occupy Fire Suppression Camp 17 on October 1, 2015. Currently, the Fire District and Probation are finalizing the details of the Memorandum of Understanding, while simultaneously addressing issues related to supervision, staffing, training and logistical support.

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